

# DOCUMENT TO THE CONFEDERACY'S SHEET

## REUNION AT MOUNTMENT

### OF JEFFERSON DAVIS

Richmond, the Capital of the Old Confederacy, Crowded to Its Limit With Veterans.

#### MRS. DAVIS AND WINNIE THE HEROINES.

**Fifty Bands of Music Play War Songs to Enliven the Business Meetings of the Soldiers—Plans For a Great Museum—Beautiful Girls to Pose as Symbols of Each State.**

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Richmond, Va., June 26.—The sixth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which takes place here June 30, July 1 and 2, will bring together perhaps the largest gathering of outsiders ever assembled in Richmond since the war. Ever since the capital of the Confederacy was selected as the next place of meeting, at the Houston reunion last May, elaborate preparations have been in progress to make the gathering not only one of the greatest ever known in the South, but one of special significance. It will be remembered that Atlanta, Memphis, Charleston, S. C., and New Orleans all made efforts at Houston to get the next reunion. When the committee from Richmond, Va., made an appeal to this gathering and set before the body the fact that the cornerstone of the Jefferson Davis monument would be laid in Richmond during the reunion there was a great majority vote in favor of the old Confederate capital.

Letters are pouring in from all parts of the South and from many portions of the North and West, asking for information about quarters, and many veteran camps as well as prominent military organizations from various parts of the country have made arrangements to attend.

#### LARGE REPRESENTATION.

Not only the Southern States, but Maryland, District of Columbia, Oklahoma Territory, Illinois, the western part of Missouri and other districts will be largely represented. From a conservative estimate it is stated that there will be something like 100,000 veterans and soldiers and their families at that time. There are in the South nearly 1,000 Confederate camps, and most of these will have delegations here, while many of them will come as a body.

The most elaborate preparations are being made by the various committees here to entertain the visitors, and while the number will be very large of those who attend, it is expected that old Virginia hospitality, which has been known far and wide for more than a century, will be equal to the occasion, and that provisions will be made to entertain all who come.

An immense auditorium, with a seating capacity of about 10,000 people, has been in process of construction for some time, and is now nearly completed. This will be elaborately decorated with Confederate flags, banners, shields and other emblems. The business meetings of the great organization will be held in this structure on June 30, July 1 and 2. There will be a chorus of 1,000 trained voices to sing as many old-time Confederate war songs as can be crowded into an evening. There will be under a prominent vocal director, and will be accompanied by an immense band.

Among the other special features will be tableaux of beautiful Southern girls, one to represent each State. They will act as sponsors for their several States and will be crowned especially for this occasion. These girls are selected either on account of their social distinction, their personal beauty or the prominence in military or political circles of their fathers. Most of the selections have been made, and a number of reigning Southern beauties are included in this list. They will be given a very brilliant reception on one of the evenings during the reunion.

#### MOSBY'S RANGERS.

Another feature of the reunion will be the parade of Mosby's famous Rangers, followed by a magnificent dinner to Col. John S. Mosby at night. At this time will be some of the most prominent men in the South. Major William H. Forles of the United States Army, who was captured at the battle of Antietam, will be one of the speakers on this occasion; also Mr. John C. Rogers, a noted historian of Boston.

#### DAVIS CORNER-STONE.

The greatest feature of the reunion will be the laying of the cornerstone of the Jefferson Davis monument, which will take place on July 2, at 2 o'clock. This will be preceded by the greatest parade ever seen in the South, made up of Veterans, Bands of Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy, military and civic organizations from all over the South. Tattered flags, shot to pieces during the war, souvenirs and trophies closely associated with the days of '61 to '65 will be in the parade. There will be fifty bands of music.

It is estimated that not less than 100,000 veterans will be in the parade. The laying of the cornerstone will be done with imposing Masonic ceremonies, the grand lodge of Virginia officiating. Gen. Stephen B. Lee of Mississippi, who was formerly in the United States army and subsequently one of the bravest officers of the Confederate army, will be the orator of this occasion. This ceremony will be held in the center of Monroe Park, where the monument will be built. This is one of the most beautiful spots in the city, between Franklin, Laurel, Main and Belvidere streets. The site, which was given by the city, is in a fashionable quarter. The monument, for which a large sum has already been raised, will cost about \$200,000, probably more, and will be one of the most imposing structures of the kind of the many now in the city. The design was selected from a number submitted last month. For these designs there were paid prizes, ranging from \$500 to \$1,000, the amount awarded to the design which was accepted.

#### MRS. DAVIS AND WINNIE.

It is expected that Mrs. Jefferson Davis and Miss Winnie Davis will both be present on this notable occasion. Indeed, they expect to be here, but the impracticability of the scene may forbid. The business meetings of the reunion will be, perhaps, more important than ever before. One of the most important questions to come up will be that of the location of the Battle Abbey of the South. It will be remembered that Mr. Charles Broadway Bous, a wealthy merchant of New York City, formerly a soldier in the Confederate army, offered to give \$100,000 for the purpose of establishing this great Confederate museum, provided the veteran organizations of the South would raise an equal amount. This amount has already been raised by the veterans, and it is expected they will double their subscriptions.

The question to be decided at the reunion will be the location of this museum. At the Houston reunion last year a committee, consisting of one member from each Southern State, was appointed to decide upon the location. This committee met in Atlanta in October last, but failed to reach

#### A SONG THAT TOUCHED HER.

**'Twas Sung in Midsummer Where Men Were Scarce.**

"Arma virumque cano." The Boston girl's eyes filled with a tender light as she bent over the well-worn volume of the Aeneid and softly spoke the words, but the Vassar maid in the nearby hammock only stirred uneasily in her sleep.

Wiping the mist from her gold-rimmed glasses with a violet-scented kerchief, the Boston girl hugged the beloved book to her bosom and again her lips parted.

"Arma virumque cano," she repeated dreamily, and once again the sleeper stirred. Deftly hooking the glasses in the deep indentations that marked the bridge of her aristocratic nose, the Boston girl glanced over the woman-tenanted hotel piazzas, over the woman-dotted sands, over the woman-filled surf.

"I sing of arms and a man," she murmured, a low, chilling sigh escaping from the very depths of her cold-storage chest.

"What's that?" she repeated, sitting up in the hammock; "what's that about arms and a man?"

It was as if a Samaritan had whispered "water" in the ear of one half dead with thirst, or "food" in the ear of the starving. Her quick eye swept inquiringly, expectantly, hopefully, longingly over the hotel piazzas, the sandy beach, and the seething surf, and then filled with tears of disappointment.

It was the same old familiar scene. "Arma and a man, eh?" she cried passionately. "If there are any within the range of a telescope, they must be for the Cuban insurgents!"

Like summer rain the tears of disappointment fell, and then filled with tears of disappointment.

"Women, women everywhere, and not a man to wink!" she moaned wearily.

#### FOOLING THE SLOT MACHINE.

**How an Enterprising Hotel Keeper Was Badly Beaten.**

The penny-in-the-slot machine can be found in the remotest portions of the backwoods, and sometimes it is about the only thing to remind one of civilization that can be found there.

A weary hunting party stopped at a small hotel off in the backwoods not long ago, and wishing to remove the evidences of their long tramp before supper, found after washing that to secure a towel they would be obliged to make use of a slot machine that stood next to the wash basin.

The sign read, "To obtain a clean towel put a penny in the slot, and pull the drawer slowly out."

One of the party was somewhat of a wag, and procuring all the coppers he could gather he proceeded to abstract the towels one at a time. He had reached the fifth towel when the proprietor entered to wash his hands. He gazed at the man with the five towels in astonishment. The wag laughingly complimented the proprietor upon his enterprise in selling new towels for such little money. It is needless to say the proprietor later put up a sign that read, "For the use of a clean towel put a penny in the slot."

#### DOG AND MONKEY FIGHT.

**It Was a Lively One in Which the Dog Did Not Win the Honors.**

A score or more of people at Muncie were the involuntary witnesses of one of the funniest fights to a finish imaginable. A monkey belonging to an itinerant showman, in his confinement and was ambled along the street when it was attacked by a large yellow dog of mongrel breed. For several seconds there was such a blinding flash of light that the spectators could scarcely see which was ahead, but finally the monkey broke away and scaled up a pole close

#### SCHEME TO SAVE CIGARETTES.

**Ruse That Succeeded in Thwarting Would-be Spotters.**

There was a young man who was a slave to the bitter weed. His pet form of the vice was the deadly and much berated cigarette. The young man does not mind buying his own cigarettes, but, being of frugal tendencies, does not like to supply his friends also. One day not long ago while seated alone he took out his cigarette package. He discovered that he had four of them left. He had at first supposed that he had only three cigarettes, so with a sigh of satisfaction he adjusted one of them to his lips and lit it.

He had scarcely finished it when several of his friends entered the room. His tobacco hunger was still unsatisfied, but he feared to take out his box because he thought his friends would ask him for the other two cigarettes. But still he longed very much to smoke. At last he betwined himself of a strategy and proceeded to work it. He drew out the cigarette box and quickly took one of them out.

"Give me a cigarette," said one of the friends.

The frugal gentleman, with a shake of the head, closed the box and threw it on the floor. The stranger, worked, as the others supposed, of course, that the cigarette box was empty. When the others left the frugal gentleman winked one eye knowingly and returned the box to his pocket.

#### BRAGGING ABOUT THEIR SONS.

**Finally a Retort Ended the Lengthy Windy Contest.**

Between trains at the railway station the other day two old young fathers bragged about their respective three-year-olds.

One father said that his son walked as well as most children of six. The other father said that his son walked better than

# WONDERFUL MAP OF THE STARRY SKIES

Twenty-two Thousand Sections and Thirty Million Stars Are Comprised in the Production.

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The great map of the sky upon which astronomers have been working for the last nine years is approaching completion. It is an international affair, for no one country could carry through such a gigantic task.

The heavens have been mapped out in sections, a section being assigned to each of the principal observatories in the world, and each of these observatories must furnish a map of its particular section in 1,500 parts. To do this 3,000 photographs have been taken at each observatory, making a grand total of 54,000 photographs. The United States is not represented in the international congress for the construction of this map. Prof. Pickering of Harvard wished to undertake a share of the work, but it was finally decided that the great amount of time required for the allotted section would interfere with the general work of the Cambridge Observatory. The Yerkes Observatory was not, of course, ready at the time, and the others did not care to lay out the money for the necessary instruments. The observatories sharing in the work are those of Greenwich, Rome, Catania, Helsingfors, Potsdam, Oxford, Paris, Bordeaux, Toulouse, Algiers,

**WORK IS THE PRODUCT OF GREAT LABOR.**

**Eighteen Observatories Have Been Employed in the Task of Making It and Ten Years Have Been Consumed—It is Now Nearly Completed—Plates Alone Cost \$2,000,000.**

have to look pleasant, and the automatic movement of the telescope keeps the objective always opposite the stars to be photographed. The delicate part of the task consists in the accurate measuring and placing of the stars shown upon the photographic plate. Each negative will be transferred in duplicate on copper, and the two plates will be kept in different observatories. This is to obviate any chance of accident to the plates, for if both were lost, the damage would be almost irreparable. Some idea of the magnitude of the task undertaken may be gained from the fact that to reproduce the map from the plates will cost over \$2,000,000. When to this is added the cost of the instruments, the time of the calculators and measurers, and the number of less eccentrics which pertain to a work of so gigantic a nature, the ultimate cost will be tremendous. But the map, when completed, will be of incalculable value to astronomers. The idea is to show just what aspect the heavens presented at the period represented.

Any changes subsequent to this period will be at once detected, and valuable information gained. We know that the stars are constantly changing their positions, but except in the case of the larger ones we do not know what these changes are.

The observatories participating in this work will each year bear the cost of, and be responsible for, its own particular piece of sky. When completed the photographs will all be forwarded to the Paris Observatory for the production of the map.

Stellar photographs are always used just as they come from the camera, without any retouching whatever. The number of stars shown is proportionate to the length of exposure of the sensitive plate. At first it was intended to include stars of the fifteenth magnitude in the measurements, but the tremendous additional labor involved caused the congress to fix the limit at the fourteenth magnitude. Almost nothing is known of stars which are such an enormous distance away, and no map or record has ever been made of them. As matters stand at present a few millions of them might disappear without astronomers being any the wiser. The gigantic map was planned by the Paris Observatory in 1886, and a proposition made to all the big observatories to assist in the work. Since that date the principal observatories have been busy on the big scheme, which will certainly be the most wonderful thing modern astronomy has accomplished.

#### PREHISTORIC PEOPLE.

**Discoveries Showing the Existence of an Unknown Race in Florida.**

Chicago Record.

Major Powell, director of the Bureau of American Ethnology, has just returned from a visit to Florida, where, under his direction, Frank Hamilton Cushing, the famous explorer, has been making some very remarkable discoveries. He has demonstrated the former existence of a hitherto unknown race who lived in Florida in prehistoric times, and whose habits and customs were very much like those of that curious people who still live in huts raised upon piles over the surface of the water in Lake Maracibo, in the western part of Venezuela.

The existence of this race was unsuspected until recently, but during the last winter Mr. Cushing found the most abundant evidence of their occupation, not only in the southern part of Florida, including all the bays and swamps, lakes and everglades, but also the innumerable islands and keys that line the coast. Evidences of their existence are found as far north as Tampa Bay, and Mr. Cushing expects to trace them to Yucatan. His investigation thus far have been confined to two counties, Lee and Dade. Tampa Bay, Charlotte harbor and the 10,000 islands on the western coast of the State.

Under the shell heaps that are so common throughout this locality he has found carvings of most interesting relics, pottery, implements and vessels of wood, bone and stone, innumerable burial mounds in an excellent state of preservation, but unlike anything found elsewhere in this country, and, although his investigations have not been thorough, Mr. Cushing believes that all the coral islands in the Gulf of Mexico are covered with such things.

#### HIG CARGO OF SUGAR.

**The Roanoke Is on the Ocean With 5,370 Tons in Her Hold.**

San Francisco Examiner.

The Roanoke, the largest American ship afloat, is on her way from Honolulu to New York, with the biggest cargo of sugar ever shipped in the world, and one of the largest cargoes that has ever left any port. She has stowed in her hold 5,370 tons of merchandise.

The Roanoke was chartered by J. D. Spreckels Brothers & Co. to clean up the export sugar in the islands. She is the latest vessel that will sail from Honolulu to New York this year. Sugar has been going from Honolulu to New York and Philadelphia since January, in order to divert the supply from this port to the market.

The vessel reached Diamond Head and could not make the harbor on account of the strong gales which prevailed, and she was blown to Koko, miles out of her course. It took her nearly a week to beat back, and she started to load immediately. Inter her hold were stowed 88,000 sacks of sugar, and then it was feared that she could not get out of the port. The harbor master said that he would see to this part of the work, and for several days before the Roanoke sailed two tugboats worked day and night out the mud from around the ship. Two tugboats took hold of the great ship and pulled her down to the wharf to witness the departure. She went from the wharf without any trouble, amid the cheers of the throng. The Hawaiians regard the sailing as a great achievement, claiming that the largest ship afloat has sailed in their harbor.

#### The Real Uncertainty.

Watts-I agree with the Shah of Persia in regard to horse races. You know, he said he took an interest in racing because he already knew that one horse could run faster than another.

Potts-Of course, one knows that one horse can run faster than another, but you never know whether he will be allowed to do so. That's where the excitement comes in. Indianapolis Journal.

#### Always Muddled.

"And you will never forget me?" asked the girl of her lover, a grocer's assistant. "Never," he said absently. "Is there anything more today?"—Tid Bits.

#### FINDS INTERESTING RELICS.

**New Jersey Man Stumbles Onto a Number of Prehistoric Things.**

Chicago Record.

Egg Harbor City, N. J., June 17.—An important discovery of Indian relics was made a few days ago in the deep recesses of a place called the Great Swamp, just south of Dacula, in Hammon township. The remains of an Indian encampment or village are plainly in evidence. Large numbers of spearheads, arrowheads, and portions of pottery have been found in the village.

George W. Wolford stumbled upon it while exploring the swamp. When Mr. Wolford discovered the village a canoe was firmly imbedded in the mud and a cedar full eight inches in diameter was growing from it. In attempting to extricate the boat from the roots the discoverer unfortunately broke it into sections. A large portion of the remains of the craft has been carried away by relic hunters.

The canoe in its entirely measured sixteen feet three inches in length, and had almost four foot beam. Its great size would seem to indicate that it was used as a war canoe.

Back from the stream, on a little knoll, were found numerous pieces of broken pottery and rude cooking utensils. Large pieces of flint were found imbedded in hard wood that had become petrified. Perfect arrowheads were unearthed. Numerous mounds which, it is believed, were the burial places of the Indians, were found.

#### The New Woman Aroused.

Mr. Whitehead of the same world. Dinah, who every ben has to scratch for herself.

Mrs. Whitehead—Mebbe, Sambo; but here don't hab to scratch grub out ob a wash tub for their roosters—New York World.

#### THE MASHER'S MISTAKE.

**He Gave His Signals to the Wrong Party This Time.**

Philadelphia Record.

It was an amusing case of the bitter bit that took place on a Walnut street car last evening. A number of passengers were standing, among them being two young men, who faced a very pretty girl comfortably seated at their elbows. One of the young men was attracted by the pretty face and was apparently soon determined upon a campaign of conquest. As he could not attract her attention in any other manner, he evidently resolved to do it by touching her toe with his foot. To his delight the touch of his shoe was returned with a light tap, and for two blocks he kept up this novel form of flirtation.

Finally the girl rose to get off, and the young man who had not previously figured in the matter, who proved to be the pretty damsel's escort, turned to follow her from the car. "See here, you blundered idiot," he remarked to the would-be masher before he stepped from his place in the side, "it has been my friend who have been tapping, not my lady friend. If you will come out on the street I'll try and return the compliment by tapping your face."

The masher was too badly confused by the litter of laughter that passed through the car to respond, but he recovered his self-composure sufficiently to leave the car a safe distance away from the corner at which his challenger got off.

#### A Great Fall.

Hennessey—That man going there has the greatest pull in this town.

Dunlop—That so? What is he, a dentist or a politician?

Hennessey—Neither. He has invented a stretcher that will really straighten pants which are bagged at the knees. Cleveland Leader.

#### at hand, while the dog established himself at the foot and bayed loud and angrily.

The monkey chattered in several directions, running up and down, and all the time keeping a wary eye on its enemy. Finally it began to slowly slide down the pole, adding, coming within range, it bounded plump on the dog's back, and, with teeth and claws, made the hair fly. The dog jumped and howled and shook himself, the crowd yelling itself hoarse shouting "Go it, Tige."

"Hold to him, Monk!" The dog finally hopped over on its back, dislodging the monkey, which again bounded up the pole.

By this time the dog was crazed with rage and pain, and it made heroic efforts to reach his chattering enemy, who again brought into play the same tactics as before. A second time it landed squarely on the dog's back, and there was a repetition in which teeth and claws played a leading role. This round resulted in a complete victory for the "monkey," the dog eventually unbarring his enemy by rolling over, and then bounding to his feet and running away as fast as his legs could carry him. The monkey chased him for a few yards and then returned to the pole satisfied with results.

#### Boy Nature.

Mrs. Beggs—Aren't you really going to the Sabbath school picnic this afternoon, Willie?

Willie Littleboy—Gee, no, ma'am! Bob Thickneck has promised to take me out to look at an old dead horse. New York World.

#### Off for the North Pole.

"Is it true, that young Wilson has gone on a polar expedition?"

"Yes, he has gone to Boston to see his girl."—Detroit Free Press.

#### most children of six. "His sister's teaching him the two-step now," he added.

And the first father said that his boy was a great talker. "Talks just as well as you or I do, you know," says everything he wants to.

"So, that's nothing," retorted the other; "why, my little Bobby uses words that we grown-ups have to look up in the dictionary. I never heard such a vocabulary as that youngster's." Then the first man remarked that his son loved to be read to. "Read to!" cried the other. "Do you mean to say that your boy can't read yet? Why, Bobby's read for me more than a year. Reads everything, too—books, magazines, newspapers—whatever he can lay his hands on. He—"

"Look here," interrupted the first man, "does your boy shave himself, or go to a barber?"

The Shingle Fills the Bill. "Have you children?" asked the canvasser, as he stepped in the doorway.

"I have," replied the man at the desk without looking up.

"Then you will find this book—"

"Don't want it!" interrupted the man at the desk.

"But you don't understand," persisted the canvasser. "I can assure you that you will find it a great help in correcting children. It is by one who—"

"Not big enough," interrupted the man at the desk, after one quick glance at the book. "Besides, I already have a shingle that seems to answer the purpose."—Chicago Evening Post.

#### You Can't Be Too Careful.

First Hebraist—I can hardly believe it! Are you sure that it is the Earl of Bismarck?

Second Hebraist—Certainly. Why, have you heard that there are any imitations in the market?—New York World.

#### San Fernando, Tacubaya, Santiago (Chili).

La Plata, Rio de Janeiro, Cape of Good Hope, Sidney, and Melbourne.

The map will be in total area nearly two acres, but must necessarily be divided up into a manageable size. For each hemisphere there will be 11,000 little maps, or 22,000 for the whole sidereal universe. Upon it will be shown about thirty millions of stars. Of these 2,000,000 will be catalogued and numbered, so that any star up to the eleventh magnitude can be located as easily as an island in the map of the world. The stars actually shown upon the map will be those up to the fourteenth magnitude. A great number of the stars shown upon the map cannot be seen by the human eye, even with the aid of the most powerful telescope. The photographic plate, however, can detect many millions of stars which no man has ever seen.

The long exposure necessary in order to get photographs of stars beyond the fourteenth magnitude renders the operation too difficult for the construction of a map. The most sensitive plate known would require some days' exposure to take a picture of a star of the eighteenth or nineteenth magnitude, and after all the photographs have been taken the hardest part of the work begins. The measurements and exact position of each star have to be recorded, and to do this hundreds of astronomers have been working for years.

Special apparatus was purchased by each observatory for the work. All the instruments must be similar in size and construction, or the photographs would not be alike. The international congress which was held at the Paris Observatory eight years ago decided that a telescope must be constructed for each observatory engaged in the work. These telescopes are all of eleven feet and three inches focal length, with an object glass thirteen inches in diameter.

To take a stellar photograph is not a very difficult task. The altimeter does not